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SRI V. R. NAGARAJAN :—" Sir, are there many cases of misbehaviour on the part of teachers in our State? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, I will not say many cases and it is a matter of opinion as to what is 'many' and what is 'few'."

MR. SPEAKER :—" We shall now go back to question No. 542."

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" Sir, on a point of explanation, I want a particular point to be clarified."

MR. SPEAKER :—" We are now in question No. 542. There can be no point of explanation now."

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" Sir, I rise on a point of order. The Hon. the Minister for Education in his reply to a supplementary question said that the word 'subversive' was there since 1950. I only wish to have the permission of the Hon. the Speaker to point out the fact that even in 1938 by a Government Memorandum my teaching certificate was cancelled on the ground that I was indulging in subversive activities. Hence the word 'subversive' as introduced by the foreign imperialistic Government is still there."

MR. SPEAKER :—" This is no point of order."

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" I just wanted to clarify the fact that the word 'subversive' has been there even before 1950."

Construction of a hospital in the Government Estate, Mount Road, Madras, for the benefit of the Members of the Legislature.

* 542 *Q.*—SRI S. RAMALINGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have any proposal to construct a hospital for the benefit of Members of the Legislature in the Government Estate, Mount Road, Madras; and

(*b*) if so, what is the estimated cost?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) & (*b*) The matter is under consideration."

Maternity and child welfare centres in Malabar.

* 546 *Q.*—SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any proposals recently from the District Board, Malabar, for opening maternity and child welfare centres in Malabar;

(*b*) if so, which were the centres proposed; and

(*c*) what action the Government have taken on the proposals?

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THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) The centres proposed were—

1 Vellore.
2 Sreekandapuram.
3 Madayi.
4 Cheruthuzam Kunhi mangalam.
5 Kolayad.
6 Kuthuparamba.
7 Arikkulam.
8 Madapalli.
9 Meladi.
10 Kaulumpara.
11 Mokkam.
12 Beypore.
13 Makkada.
14 Vellamunda.
15 Edakkara.
16 Karuvarakundu.
17 Nilambur.
18 Kalladikode.
19 Ottapalam.
20 Pallikkara.
21 Tarur.
22 Paruthipulli.

" (*c*) In view of the financial stringency, it will be possible to sanction the opening of only one Maternity and Child Welfare Centre in the Malabar district in 1954–55."

SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI :—" Sir, may I know whether it is a fact that the District Board provided sufficient funds for opening the centres, and that the Government stood in the way? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Sir, the Malabar District Board is a deficit one and Government also for reasons of finance, did not sanction more than one centre for this district."

SRI K. P. GOPALAN :—" Sir, in view of the fact that the Kunhimangalam Panchayat Board has already written to the Malabar District Board that the Panchayat Board was prepared to meet a portion of the expenditure if the Government sanctioned the opening of a maternity centre at Kunhimangalam, will the Government consider this question and take steps to open a maternity centre at this place? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" All such proposals are considered in connection with Part II Schemes for the Budget."

DR. K. B. MENON.—" Sir, in view of the fact that the Government have for financial reasons prohibited the opening of more maternity centres, will the Government consider the question of supplying at least one nurse to each village on account of the increasing child mortality? "

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THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Sir, the Government sanctioned a number of maternity centres in connection with the last Budget. The Government have to see to the needs of the different districts and not only to the needs of Malabar. The hon. Member's proposal to post a nurse to each village will be much more costly than stationing a maternity assistant."

Payment of travelling allowances to midwives of rural dispensaries.

8 50 a.m. * 547 *Q.*—SRI O. VENKATASUBBA REDDI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the midwives working in rural dispensaries under the jurisdiction of the Chingleput District Board are paid any fixed travelling allowance; and

(*b*) whether any discrimination is made against midwives in indigenous medicine in the matter of travelling allowance?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir, when the maternity assistants are deputed on propaganda work in villages on prenatal care; otherwise, not.

" (*b*) No, Sir."

SRI V. K. RAMASWAMY MUDALIAR :—" Will the Government kindly extend this concession to midwives in indigenous medicine also as there is no difference so far as the science of midwifery is concerned between the indigenous and the allopathic systems? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Maternity assistants trained in indigenous system of medicine are deputed for such work if the district board is willing to send them."

SRI M. R. RAMACHANDRAN :—" May I know whether Government will encourage midwives engaging ambulance vans wherever they feel an urgent necessity for it? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" It will not be possible, Sir."

Stocks of kuruvai and samba paddy in Tanjore.

* 548 *Q.*—SRI A. GOVINDASWAMI NAYAGAR (on behalf of Sri K. R. Sambandam) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) the stock of kuruvai and samba paddy held in Tanjore district in January 1954; and

(*b*) in which places they were stocked?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) The stocks of samba and kuruvai paddy held by Government in Tanjore district during January 1954 were as follows :—

(1) Samba—6,987·09 tons.
(2) Kuruvai—5,416·25 tons.